



The ACT Aspire College and Career Readiness assessments are based on 50 years of empirical research and data from ACT, Inc. ACT is a name trusted and well known to most parents and educators. ACT Aspire provides fixed form tests for grades 3-10 in English, math, reading, writing, and science. It is the first digital, longitudinal assessment system to fully connect student performance to college readiness benchmarks.

ACT Aspire, in its existing format, provides a test that:

- Is a recognized and trusted name by parents, teachers, and students
- Has already been field tested in 34 states in reading, English, math, science, and writing
- Has already been adopted statewide in Alabama, Arkansas, South Carolina (2014 – 2015 only), Wisconsin, Wyoming, and Hawaii.
- Has already been fully implemented in Alabama, Wisconsin, and South Carolina (2014-2015 only)
- Has been taken by students in 47 states, the District of Columbia, and 4 US territories
- Has been administered over 8 million times to over 3 million students across the country
- Can be administered in either paper-pencil or computer-based format
- Can be taken in only 4-5 hours, including all subjects, thereby reducing test fatigue
- Has been built to ACT's College and Career Readiness Benchmarks

Provides reports that:

- Connect to the ACT capstone test and provides continuity from grade 3 all the way until students are ready to apply for college or career. This provides information to parents about their students that has meaning and relevance.
- Can provide predictive information. As ACT Aspire collects and analyzes student performance data, we are able to suggest how well a student is likely to perform in grades ahead. This is possible by applying ACT's unmatched research.
- Provides a College Readiness Score for grades 9 and 10. An actual predicted subject and composite score range for the ACT capstone test. This is a tangible benefit for parents and students.
- Has a work ready score for grades 8, 9, and 10 provided from years of data from the ACT Work Keys test without requiring the student to take another test. This is presented in well recognized certificate levels of performance.
- Has a STEM report for students who take both the math and science test
- Has a language Arts score for students who take the reading and English test
- Has a text complexity score to help determine if students are progressing in their ability to read more complex passages

Enhancements can be added to the existing fixed format test offering in order to better address new standards that your state has recently added.